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TAGS: ETTC KOMC SP SW
SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN LEVEL 3: POST-SHIPMENT END-USE CHECK
ON LICENSE GC 0411-09

REF: A. 2006 BLUE LANTERN GUIDEBOOK
1B. 08 STOCKHOLM 772

Classified By:
Acting PM/DTCC Director Daniel Buzby for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

1.(U) This is an Action Request. See paragraphs 2-4.

2.(U) The Department's Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance (PM/DTCC) requests Post's assistance in conducting a post-shipment check on license GC 0411-09 for the re-transfer of three (3) International Traffic in Arms (ITAR)-controlled Bell 212 helicopters to Spain. Post is requested to complete this Blue Lantern inquiry within 75 days. Lack of response to a Blue Lantern inquiry will affect pending and future licenses involving parties to this license.

3.(S) Reason for request: This check is latest in a series of efforts by the Department to investigate and mitigate concerns that Swedish firm European Helicopter Service AB (EHS) may attempt to transfer the helicopters to Iran via Spain.

(U) EHS was notified that the re-transfer would be subject to post-shipment end-use monitoring in the approval letter for GC 0411-09, dated 26 March 2009.

4.(U) ACTION: The Department requests that Post make inquiries to the appropriate officials to confirm delivery of the helicopters to the EHS hangar in Madrid and to verify that helicopters are being used for the purpose stated on the license.

END ACTION.

5.(U) Details of license application:

DTC CASE: GC 0411-09

QUANTITY/COMMODITY:

3 - Bell 212 Helicopter

Serial No. 32205, Tail No. 032
Serial No. 32209, Tail No. 036
Serial No. 32231, Tail No. 014

License Value: 600,000.00 USD

OWNER:
European Helicopter Service, AB
Stockholm, Sweden

POC: Helena Pariza Lopez, CEO

FOREIGN END USER:

European Helicopter Services
Almacen Navas Del Ray
C/ Sandro Pertini 2, Posterior
28695 Navas Del Rey, Madrid
Spain

POC: Eduardo Romero / Ivan Bedia
Tel: 34918155870 / 34609584729

FOREIGN INTERMEDIATE CONSIGNEE (FREIGHT FORWARDER):

Westdijk Sweden AB
POC: Lars-Erik Mattsson
Tel 1: 46 31 26 41 13
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PURPOSE:

EHS technicians will evaluate the mechanical status of the helicopters in order to decide what further commercial actions are available given the condition of the craft.

6.(U) Submitted in support of the license application were the following documents (PM/DTCC will fax documentation to Post upon request):

--Non-Transfer and Use Certificate (DSP-83) signed by Helena Pariza Lopez, Eduardo Romero, and Ivan Bedia, dated 6 February 2009.

--Letter of Explanation, signed by Helena Pariza Lopez, undated.

--Parts and Serial Numbers List on each of the helicopters.

7.(U) Please slug reply for PM/DTCC - BLUE LANTERN COORDINATOR and include the words "Blue Lantern" and the case number in the subject line. POC is Meredith Sundlof. Phone: 202-663-3455; Email: SundlofME@state.gov; SIPRNET: SundlofME@state.sgov.gov. The Blue Lantern Guidebook (ref) is available as a PDF file at http://www.intelink.sgov.gov/wiki/Blue_Lantern_End-Use_Monitoring_Program.

8.(U) Department is grateful for Post's assistance in this matter.

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